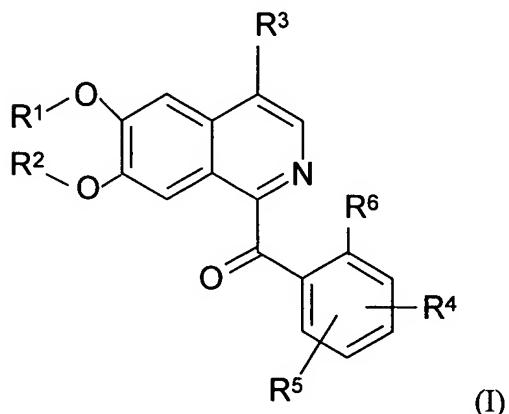


ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

Compounds of formula I are provided



as well as pharmaceutically acceptable salts and esters thereof, wherein the substituents are as disclosed in the specification. The compounds have utility for the treatment of type 2 diabetes mellitus.

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